GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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UNAUTHORISED OCCUPATION IN RESERVED COMPARTMENTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that in the Nizamuddin-Gwalior bound Taj Express, the unreserved ticket holders loiter all through the reserved compartments causing inconvenience and harassment to the reserved ticket holders;

(b) whether the Government propose to curb this practice by initiating appropriate action against such unauthorised persons so that bonafide passengers have hassle free journey and the prestige of the train is not tarnished further; and

(c) if so, the steps likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a): Some instances have come to notice.

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. Ticket checking staff have already instructions to check and penalise unauthorised travel in reserved coaches. Apart from manning of reserved coaches by the ticket checking staff, intensive drives are also conducted by the Railways in association with the Police to prevent entry of unauthorised passengers in reserved compartments. Those apprehended are penalised as per the provisions of the Railways Act.